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ACCUSED OF THE ASSASSINATION.

Two Men Arrested Charged with the Murder of Colonel J. Francisco Chavez.

TAKEN TO SANTA FE COUNTY JAIL MONDAY

Warrants Issued by Justice Garnett and Served by Special Officer Huber. Evidence All Circumstantial.

Late last week some new things developed in the story of the assassination of Col. J. Francisco Chavez on the night of November, 26, 1904 at Pinos Wells, and of such import to the case that James C. Chavez son of the late colonel, swore out complaints in Justice Garnett's court, charging Procorpio Cordova with the murder and Domingo Valles, as an accomplice.

R. C. Huber, was specially deputized by Sheriff Manuel Sanchez to make the arrests. He proceeded to the ranch homes of the accused, returning on Monday's train with his men to Santa Fe, lodging them in the county jail there.

It will be remembered that Valles was arrested just after the murder on circumstantial evidence, but as the case progressed and Valles had been held in the Santa Fe and Los Lunas jails and had never been given a hearing, it was found that the little evidence there had been, had evaporated and Valles was released.

In speaking of the matter James C. Chavez said:—

"I have sufficient facts at hand to satisfy me that the men are guilty and when

the proper time comes all shall be known. Cordova has killed a couple of persons already and is a bad man. The evidence we have was carefully gathered and is in shape to be used tomorrow if everything else could be arranged. I have wired sheriff Manuel Sanchez of Torrance county to come up for the preliminary hearing as soon as possible and when he appears the case will be commenced. I have spent some time in regards to this matter and I am prepared to into the unraveling of the crime."

The men are to be given a hearing before Hon. E. A. Mann, judge of this district as soon as practicable. In the absence of Judge Mann, it may fall to the lot of one of his associates.

It is generally conceded in the southern part of the valley that probably some of the people know more of the case than they would care to tell, yet it is also of general opinion that the assassin, who ever he was, was hired and his escape was made easy. Just what evidence Mr. Chavez has at present is not known, and the case will be watched with interest, as nothing but circumstantial evidence can be had.

METHODISTS INCORPORATE.

New Church Building an Assured Fact. Articles of Incorporation.

On Monday of this week the board of trustees acting for the First M. E. Church, filed in the Office of the secretary of the Territory, articles of incorporation. The body is now prepared to legally hold real estate and the erecting a substantial building will be pushed to a speedy completion. The work of soliciting the necessary funds has been begun and will be carried on by a special committee.

The church property, when completed to cost \$2000, will be a credit and a drawing card to the soon-to-be county seat of Torrance county. No doubt that many prospective settlers in the valley are standing off on account of the lack of churches. But this will soon be a thing of the past and the first protestant church will be a reality.

Following are the Articles of Incorporation:

Territory of New Mexico,
Office of the Secretary.

I, J. W. Reynolds, secretary of the Territory of New Mexico, do hereby certify there was filed for record in this office, at 10:15 o'clock A. M., on the tenth day of January, A. D., 1905, Articles of Incorporation of THE FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ESTANCIA, (No. 2862) also, that I have compared the following copy of the same, with the original thereof now on file, and declare it to be a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole thereof.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this tenth day of January, A. D., 1905.

Signed, J. W. REYNOLDS,
Sec'y of New Mexico.

By GEO. A. FLEMING, Asst. Sec'y.

Articles of Incorporation.

Whereas, the Board of Trustees, acting for the members of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Estancia, desire to organize as a corporate body, they do therefore make, sign, and acknowledge these duplicate certificates in writing, which when filed, shall constitute the Articles of Incorporation of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Estancia, N. M.

Article I. The full names of the incorporators are: John L. Norris, M. D., J. P. Dunlavy, Frank Dibert, P. A. Speckmann, all of Estancia and Arthur Milby of Moriarty, all in the county of Torrance, Territory of New Mexico.

Article II. The corporate name of the society shall be "The First Methodist Episcopal Church of Estancia."

Article III. The object of the society shall be the promotion of Christian character and living through the expounding of the Holy Scriptures public worship, the practice of benevolence and charity, and kindred acts, and the said society shall be subject to the provision of the Discipline and the usage and ministerial appointments of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

Article IV. The term of existence shall be for forty-nine years from the date of this incorporation.

Article V. The secular affairs of the said society shall be managed by a board of Trustees, said board to consist of not less than three nor more than nine persons, elected annually according to the said Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The said board of trustees for the first year are: John L. Norris, M. D., J. P. Dunlavy, A. W. Louta, P. A. Speckmann, Louis McRae, all of Estancia, Arthur Milby, of Moriarty, and Frank Dibert of Santa Fe, all in the territory of New Mexico. The said society shall, through the board of trustees, have power to acquire, hold, sell and convey property, both real and personal.

Article VI. The principal place of business of the said society shall be at Estancia, Torrance county, New Mexico.

In witness whereof, the said incorporators have hereunto set their hands and seals this 8th day of January, 1905.

(Signed) John L. Norris, J. P. Dunlavy, P. A. Speckmann, Arthur Milby, Frank Dibert, Territory of New Mexico, County of Torrance.

I, W. M. McCoy, a Notary Public in and for the said county, do hereby certify that John L. Norris, M. D., J. P. Dunlavy, Frank Dibert, P. A. Speckmann, and Arthur Milby, whose personal names known to me to be the same persons described in, and who executed the within articles of incorporation, appeared before me this day and personally acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the same as their free and voluntary act and deed.

Witness my hand and notarial seal this 8th day of January, 1905.

(SEAL) (Signed) William M. McCoy,
Notary Public.

A Kiss Defined.

A Texas girl says that a kiss is the anatomical juxtaposition of the orbicular muscles in an excruciatingly exquisite contraction. If that girl will over and let a Torrance county boy kiss her just once she will not talk that way any more. When the infinitesimal tintinabulations of concentrated quintessence of double geared supernal bliss begins to permeate her anatomy, she will be willing to call a spade a spade instead of an agricultural implement.

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Kennedy, Moriarty, Estancia,
Willard, Torrance.

General Office at Estancia, N. M.

PURCHASES SAWMILL.

Eastern Syndicate Buys Byrd's Sawmill near Torreon.

A company of capitalists represented by Timothy Cole has been on a deal for some weeks for the Byrd sawmill in the Manzano mountains, about four miles above Torreon. Yesterday a decision was reached and the deal consummated. The mill was originally the property of the Dunlavy Mercantile Co., who sold it to J. F. Byrd. Mr. Byrd cut several hundred thousand feet of lumber last year but not finding market at hand was forced to shut down.

The new management has a number of mills and a large market already and, no doubt will do a splendid business. The company is backed by some \$50,000 capital and will immediately add a lot of new machinery including planing machines, lath machines, larger boiler, etc, and will be in shape to fill any kind of orders, large or small.

It is proposed to start the mill at once with a large force of men and keep things humming. Mr. Byrd will remain in the employ of the company and will have charge of the cutting of the lumber. We bespeak a good business for the firm.

More of the Beautiful.

The valley has been blest this week with another splendid snow. On Monday afternoon snow and rain fell and by Tuesday night there was eleven inches of good wet snow on the ground. While this will be a little hard on cattle, it means dollars to the sheep men and settlers here. Most of the settlers have some ground broken and this will thoroughly wet this down and assure a good crop. The grass in the spring will be splendid and the sheep now in the hills will go into the spring and through lambing season in first class condition.

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING.

Promises to be an interesting gathering. Should be well attended.

The next regular meeting of the Estancia Valley Development Association will be on the evening of Tuesday, January 31st. In response to the request, President Corbett, Hon. W. S. Hopewell, general manager of the New Mexico Fuel and Iron Company, has promised to be present and will address the members of the association and their friends.

Another treat of no less significance in its class is promised in that W. A. Dunlavy, of Willard, has consented to favor the association with several vocal selections. As Mr. Dunlavy has spent some time studying under the masters in Germany, this part of the program is looked forward to with great interest by the music lovers of the valley.

The meeting should be of special benefit in bringing the settlers and the company to a better understanding which would certainly prove mutually beneficial. Remember the date and arrange to attend.

Water at Mountainair.

S. H. Pickens the well drill man has finished the new well at Mountainair and that ambitious ballwicket for commercial and political preferment is no longer "dry." The well is 300 feet deep with 100 feet of water of good quality, at a depth of 202 feet the last water was struck and from that depth on the water came up as the drill went down. Mr. Pickens is ambitious to go on down a few hundred feet further and is confident that artesian water would be developed at no great depth.

This well will prove of great convenience to the traveling public to and from the Rio Grande, as Mountainair will make a convenient watering place, and the best and nearest road. Heretofore the travel has been compelled to go around the old road toward the point of the Mesa, which is several miles further and water scarce.

Estancia Meat Market,

Gaston Woolverton, Proprietor.

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